

***Remarks***

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 1-21 are pending in the application, with 1 and 15 being the independent claims. Claims 5-9 are sought to be amended. These changes are believed to introduce no new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested.

Based on the above amendment and the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all outstanding objections and that they be withdrawn.

***Allowable Subject Matter***

The Examiner has indicated that claims 1-4 and 10-21 are allowable. Applicant gratefully acknowledges the allowable subject matter.

***Objections to the claims***

In the Office Action, claims 5-9 were objected to because of formalities. Claims 5-9 have been amended to address each such formality. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections to claims 5-9 is therefore respectfully requested.

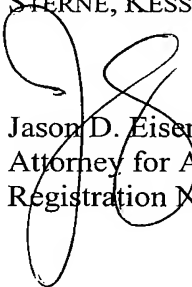
***Conclusion***

All of the stated grounds of objection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding objections and that they be withdrawn. Applicant believes that a full and complete reply has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment and Reply is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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